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- The Democratic Republic of Vietnam (DRV) 308 Division suffered heavy losses during the Yen Cuha engagements; the 88 Regiment was almost completely destroyed by French bombing during a rice paddy raid. The 308 Division is currently in Thanh Hoa, en route to Vinh for rest and reorganization. French military officials erroneously believe it is in the Hoa Binh area.*
- The DRV has now completed the organization of a new division with troops of the Dia Phuong (local units) regiments. This force, which has been designated as the 306 Division, is commanded by Le Quang Ba and is now stationed at Dinh Bang, Thai Nguyen Province (sic)**. Le Quang Ba recently returned to Vietnam from combat against Chinese Nationalist guerrillas in Kwangsi and Kweichow.***

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<u> 25X1A</u> reported the 308 Division in the Doi Bu Comment. mountains, southwest of Xuan Mai on 18 June 1951.

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Le Quang Ba was replaced as Deputy Commander of Intersector I in approximately December 1949.

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